



*Regions 9 and 10*  
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FY-03 Projects	Status
Blood Glucose Monitors/Strips	Closed
Reposable / Reusable Trocars	Closed
Scopes Repair/Maintenance	Closed
CSR Wraps & Packing Supplies	Completed
Electrodes	Completed
Incontinence Supplies (Diapers)	Completed
Internal Staplers	Completed
IV Pump Sets & Accessories	Completed
O.R. Packs	Completed
Pads & Wipes	Completed
Safety Scalpels	Completed
Sutures	Completed
Blood Tubes	Completed
Brushless Surgical Hand Scrub	Carried over to FY-04
Gowns, Disposable	Carried over to FY-04
Hand Sanitizers	Carried over to FY-04
IV Admin (Gravity) Supplies	Completed
O.R. Scrub Preps & Trays	Completed
Sterilization Controls & Indicators	Completed
Slippers	Carried over to FY-04
Surgical Towels	Carried over to FY-04

# **Completed FY-03 Projects & Cost Avoidance**

<b><u>PROJECTS</u></b>	<b><u>12-MO PROJECTION</u></b>
Incontinence Supplies (Diapers)	\$3,100
Internal Staplers	\$38,300
IV Pump Sets & Accessories	\$120,100
O.R. Packs	\$74,000
Pads & Wipes	\$12,400
Safety Scalpels	\$1,500
Sutures	\$113,600
Blood Tubes	\$6,000
CSR Wraps & Packing Supplies	\$8,400
Electrodes	\$60,900
Sterilization Controls & Indicators	\$10,000
IV Admin (Gravity) Supplies	\$123,000
O.R. Scrub Preps & Trays	\$5,100
<b>TOTAL ANNUAL PROJECTED COST AVOIDANCE</b>	<b>\$576,400</b>

## FY-03 : Other Info

- TPRB Approved Renewal of 12 RIAs with a Combined Annual Projected Cost Avoidance of \$190,800
- 44 Active RIAs with a Total Projected Cost Avoidance of \$957,918
- Actual Cost Avoidance \$1,244,067

FY-04 Projects	Status
<b>Pre-Filled Syringes</b>	CPT Started
<b>Brushless Surgical Hand Scrub</b>	Completed
<b>O.R. Scrub Preps &amp; Trays</b>	Completed
<b>Staff &amp; Patient Gowns (<i>Disposable</i>)</b>	Completed
<b>Patient Slippers</b>	Completed
<b>Surgical Towels</b>	Completed
<b>Anesthesia Breathing Circuits</b>	CPT Started
<b>Asthma Protocol Supplies</b>	CPT Started
<b>Exam Room Supplies (<i>Vaginal Specula</i>)</b>	Start Jan '04
<b>Specimen Collectors &amp; Containers</b>	Start Jan '04
<b>Casting &amp; Splinting Materials</b>	Start Feb '04
<b>Crutches &amp; Accessories</b>	Start Mar '04
<b>Surgical Instruments</b>	Participating in DoD-VA
<b>Gowns &amp; Scrubs (<i>Reusable for Staff</i>)</b>	Start Apr '04
<b>Clothing (<i>Reusable for Patients</i>)</b>	Start Apr '04
<b>Nasogastric Tubes &amp; Catheters</b>	Start May '04
<b>Endoscopic Video Towers (<i>Volume Purchasing</i>)</b>	Negotiation On-going
<b>Breast Feeding Pumps &amp; Accessories</b>	Negotiation On-going
<b>BP Monitoring Machines</b>	Completed

# FY-04 Additional Info

- 24 RIAs up for Renewal
- Total Projected Cost Avoidance of these RIAs is \$700,000
- TPRB voted to conduct new CPTs on 5 product lines with expiring RIAs (total cost avoidance \$104,700)

# Collaborative Efforts with DVA

- Pathology & Lab Testing (*San Diego*)
- Ethylene Oxide Sterilization Services  
(*San Diego*)
- Graduate Medical Education for  
Physicians & Nurses (*San Diego*)
- Use of VA Endoscopy Maintenance &  
Repair Contract (*Some MTFs in Regions 9 & 10*)

# Best Practices - *Regions 9 &*

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- Compliance Review 3 mos. into a RIA
- Regions 9 &10 TPRB Co-Chairmanship
- End users clinical trials participation
- Bi-weekly TPRB teleconferences
- Annual face to face TPRB meeting
- Recognition of individuals
- Bio-Medical Engineers Work Group
- TRBO site visits to MTFs for new TPRB member orientation
- Documentation - Final Summary